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SLIGHT RALLY IS REPORTED. QUEEN FIGHTS DEATH

ALL ENGLAND IN DEEP CLOOM.

Nation Realizes Aged
Queen Is Hopelessly
Ill.

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LONDON, Jan. 19.—All England is
buried in gloom to-day.

What little hope the nation was
still fondly clinging to was rudely
shattered by the bulletin issued at
Osborne, the royal seat in the Isle
of Wight, at noon to-day. It was
conservative, worded, but English-
men read between the lines and re-
cognized that their best beloved ruler
could not remain long to govern
them.

"THE QUEEN IS SUFFERING
FROM GREAT PHYSICAL PRO-
STRATION," THE BULLETIN READ,
"ACCOMPANIED BY SYMPTOMS
WHICH CAUSE ANXIETY."

It was signed by Sir Richard Doug-
las Powell and Sir James Reid, both
eminent men and physicians in or-
dinary to the Queen.

The Public Is Stunned.

Coming as this did on the heels of the
report that the Queen had had a para-
lytic stroke and had not rallied, it con-
firmed the worst forebodings, and not
in the darkest hours of the Boer war
when British general after British gen-
eral was being defeated by the stubborn
Boer was the feeling of depression and
personal sorrow so widespread. In the
clubs, on the street and around the
bulletin boards of the daily papers,
where crowds congregated from an early
hour, people spoke in low tones or in
whispers, and many turned away after
hearing the latest news wiping eyes to
which even British reverses had failed
to bring tears.

It became known in the afternoon
that the Prince of Wales, who in event
of the Queen's death will be King Ed-
ward VII. of England, and the Princess
Louise, who is known also as the
Duchess of Argyll, had started on a
special train at 1.30 P. M. for Cowes,
in the Isle of Wight, to be at the Queen's
bedside. This did not tend to reassure
the public mind, and it was taken to
mean that the royal family was assem-
bling to bid farewell to the Queen.

Sir Francis Laking Returns.

It was learned, too, that though Sir
Francis Henry Laking, the surgeon-
apothecary to Her Majesty, had returned
to London from Cowes to attend to
some important professional business,
he would go back to Osborne at
once, and it was said that he had ar-
ranged to make a prolonged stay there.

No confirmation could be obtained in
official quarters this afternoon that the
Queen had really suffered a paralytic
stroke. The official tendency was to
minimize as far as possible the bulletins
sent from Osborne. "The Queen had
passed a restless night," Her Majesty
was said to be "feeling better to-day,"
in which the great personages replied
to queries on the subject of the royal
health. But they replied in a hesitating
way and showed by their manner that
their hearts did not believe what their
lips said.

As to the condition of the Queen's eye-
sight, it is known that she is practically
blind. Her Majesty is eighty-two years
of age and it would be strange if her
eyesight were not failing. Prof. Her-
mann Pagenstecher, M. D., Director of
the Ophthalmic Hospital at Wiesbaden, a
man who has attended to the eyes of the
Emperor of Germany, was summoned
hastily to London on Wednesday last,
and proceeded at once to Osborne.

Examined the Queen's Eyes.

A lengthy interview resulted, in which

Rapid Transit Service to St. Louis.

The Pennsylvania Railroad trains make
the journey from New York in twenty-eight hours.

WALES IS REGENT. EMPEROR SENT FOR.

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LONDON, Jan. 19.

It is stated that the Prince of Wales went to Osborne with the
object of practically assuming the Regency of the Empire. He has
taken over the powers of signing State documents and will return to
London at once, holding himself ready for the demise of the Queen.

RUMORS OF THE QUEEN'S DEATH.

8 P. M.—Sinister rumors of the death of Queen Victoria at Os-
borne House, Isle of Wight, were circulated this afternoon, but at 5
P. M. the Master of the Queen's Household telegraphed to Bucking-
ham Palace that the condition of Her Majesty was unchanged since
noon.

The bulletin issued at that hour announced that her condition
caused great anxiety, and was posted at the Mansion House at 2 P.
M., attracting immense crowds of people, who made no secret of
their sorrow.

EMPEROR WILLIAM OF GERMANY HAS BEEN SUM-
MONED to Osborne and will leave Berlin for England at once.
The Prince of Wales, Princess of Wales, Princess Louise (Duchess
of Argyll) and the Duke of York are all at Osborne. The Duke of
Connaught was summoned by telegraph from Berlin, where he has
been attending the Prussian bi-centenary celebration. He started at
once for London.

The British second-class cruiser Minerva, having a speed of over
twenty knots, leaves Portsmouth at 9 o'clock to-night to intercept
the vessel bringing Emperor William and the Duke of Connaught
from Flushing and take them to Osborne. An urgent telegram has
been sent to the Duke of Cambridge, recalling him from Paris.

Steps were taken, it is understood at a meeting of the Cabinet
to-day, to insure a regency so that public business may not be de-
layed.

EMPEROR WILLIAM IS CALLED.

BERLIN, Jan. 19.—It is officially announced that owing to the
serious illness of Queen Victoria and the consequent departure of
the Emperor for England, the grand court receptions fixed for Mon-
day and Wednesday next will not take place.

LATER—Emperor William and the Duke of Connaught, with
their suites, left Berlin by special train for England at 6 o'clock this
evening by way of Flushing.

Telegrams of inquiry from rulers in all parts of the world are
being received. It was said that a most courteous inquiry by Presi-
dent McKinley was conveyed through Lord Pauncefote at Washing-
ton. It was one of the first answered.

In reply to a question as to the succession one of the officials of
the Government said:

HER SUCCESSOR THE PRINCE.

"In event of the Queen's death—may God save Her Majesty—
the Prince of Wales becomes at once King of Great Britain and Ire-
land. The coronation is but the formal ceremony to ratify a fact
accomplished. On his accession to the throne Prince George of
Wales, his eldest son, and, at present, Duke of York, becomes the
heir apparent to the throne and by personal investiture the Prince
of Wales. The Duchess of York is Princess Mary, or "May," of
Teck and she would of course then be Princess of Wales."

The specialist is understood to have
given Her Majesty new instructions, in
addition to glasses, with the object of
preserving her failing sight, though it is
said he found only a slight deterioration
of vision since his last examination.
The Queen to-day became the oldest
sovereign who ever reigned in England,
having lived 81 years 240 days, one day
than her grandfather, George III.

SORROW IN LAST DAYS OF VICTORIA

Queen Victoria yesterday passed the
date when she became the oldest sov-
ereign that ever ruled England.

She is eighty-one years and 240 days
old to-day, which makes her one day
older than her grandfather, George III.

Secured by Silent Safeguards.
The electric pneumatic switches and signals in
use on the Pennsylvania Railroad guarantee pas-
sengers' safety.

TRUNK MURDERERS' PLAN UPSET, SAYS CAPT. TITUS

Capt. Titus late this afternoon said he thought the trunk in which
Weisbord's body lay was intended to be dropped from the Street-Clean-
ing Department dump at 60th St., but he believes that the driver, seeing a
policeman, put the trunk near the head of pair 11.

He thinks that the body was taken down at midnight when
policemen are kept off duty from the station-house. If the plan had suc-
ceeded the trunk might have been thrown into a snowdrift and would never
have been discovered.

MARCUS DALY'S WILL FILED.

The will of Marcus Daly, the Montana millionaire, was filed for pro-
bate to-day. He leaves one-third of the estate to his wife, Margaret P.
Daly, and makes her executrix of the remainder, to be held in trust for
his children, Margaret, Mary, Marion and Harriett Daly.

BIG MORTGAGE FILED BY RAILROAD

MARSHALL, N. H., Jan. 19.—A mortgage was filed to-day by the
Grand Trunk Western Railway Company, of \$15,000,000 at 4 per cent,
for six years to the Grand Trunk and Western Company, of New York.
It required \$7,500 in tax stamps.

RESULTS AT NEW ORLEANS

FIFTH RACE—Bumper 1, Charlie O'Brien 2, Mordillo 3.

COURT PHYSICIANS ARE VERY ANXIOUS.

(By the Associated Press.)

OSBORNE, Isle of Wight, Jan. 19.—At
noon to-day this bulletin was issued by the
royal physicians: "The Queen is suffering
from great physical prostration, accompanied
by symptoms which cause anxiety."

R. DOUGLAS POWELL,
JAMES REID.

PAUNCEFOTE NOTIFIED BY EVENING WORLD.

The Evening World transmitted by telephone this afternoon to the
British Embassy the bulletin which told that Queen Victoria was dying in
her sleep. Lord Pauncefote had gone out and was not expected to return
for several hours.

The secretary who received the message said:
"We thank The Evening World for its kindness in forwarding us the
latest news, which will be transmitted to Lord Pauncefote on his return."

to a few simple rules laid down for her
by the late Sir William Jenner, M. D.,
her physician.

For a year, however, the Queen has
been steadily failing, despite all the medi-
cal skill of the United Kingdom. Her
ailment was deeper than the most famous
physician could reach. It started in a
kindly, sympathetic heart. The Boer
war was at the bottom of it all.

In July came the assassination of the
King of Italy. Coming on top of her
other troubles, it shocked her inex-
pressibly. This, too, told on her health.
Then she received distressing news as
to the condition of her daughter, the
Empress Frederick of Prussia.

On top of this came the unexpected
death of her second son, the Duke of

Edinburgh.

It was followed by the death of her
grandson, Christian Victor, son of her
daughter, Helena, wife of the Prince of
Saxe-Weimar-Eisenach.

These deaths in her family well-nigh
prostrated the aged Queen and anni-
hilated her strength.

By Christmas the Queen had become
noticeably thin, and the three hours'
journey to Osborne wearied her exces-
sively. She was obliged to stay in her
room the next day.

She was hardly settled when the news
came of the sudden death of her oldest
friend, Dowager Lady Churchill, senior
Lady of the Bedchamber and a member
of the royal household for forty-six
years.

This unnerved the Queen once more.
She was unable to attend any holiday
festivity at Osborne because of the
shock of Lady Churchill's death.

Aged Ruler Makes a Splendid Struggle, but Is Surely Sinking—Prince of Wales Assumes Practical Control.

OSBORNE, Isle of Wight, Jan. 19.

The following official bulletin has just been issued:

"The Queen's strength has been fairly maintained
through the day and there are indications of a slight im-
provement in the symptoms this evening.

"JAMES REID.

"R. DOUGLAS POWELL."

VICTORIA SLOWLY DYING.

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LONDON, Jan. 19.

The Clerk of the Privy Council has received instructions
to have all preparations completed for the summoning of the
Privy Council which announces the succession of a new
sovereign.

Every preparation has been made in view of the immi-
nent demise of the Queen.

The Queen's mind, it is stated here, is entirely gone.
The mental break-up is complete.

PRIVY COUNCIL CALLED.

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COWES, Isle of Wight, Jan. 19.

A correspondent of The Evening World has seen a high
court official, who said: "THE QUEEN IS UNDOUBT-
EDLY DYING. She will probably pass away in her sleep,
as she is having long intervals of semi-unconsciousness and
is falling into a comatose state.

"The Prince of Wales was hastily summoned to-day, so
that he might see her before unconsciousness sets in perma-
nently. Sir James Reid remains with Her Majesty day and
night. He was relieved for a few hours this morning by
Sir Richard Douglas Powell and Dr. William Hoffmeister,
of Cowes, house surgeon to the Queen.

"For the three days that Her Majesty has remained in
bed, and for some time before that, she has been constantly
falling asleep. Some of the royal princesses and ladies in
waiting have been constantly employed in talking to her to
keep her awake. These symptoms have been aggravated
during the last twenty-four hours, and it is feared that a
crisis has been reached.

"The doctors think she may linger for a few days yet
in the dormant condition into which she has fallen."

Julian Ralph, in a despatch to the Brooklyn Eagle, says "Queen Victoria is suffer-
ing from intestinal lesions and cannot live more than four weeks at the utmost.